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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Fulton Lewis' Attacks on Radio Free Europe and Crusade for Freedom

1. This memorandum contains recommendations submitted for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such recommendations are contained in paragraph 5.

2. In his broadcast of 1 January 1958, Fulton Lewis, Jr., stated he has turned over material on Radio Free Europe and Crusade for Freedom to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and to Chairman James Eastland of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, suggesting that he undertake immediate investigation of the entire operation. Fulton Lewis went on to state that Senator William Jenner, a member of that Subcommittee, has indicated a desire to go over the material with Fulton Lewis, Jr., when Jenner returned to Washington this coming weekend. Senator Styles Bridges was also reported by Lewis to have the same interest in Lewis' material.

3. There has been earlier discussion of the desirability of briefing the Vice President on Radio Free Europe and at this juncture it seems highly desirable that this be accomplished. In addition, the Vice President's advice should be sought in any action the Agency should take either because of a possible congressional investigation or in the event the Agency is approached by the Congress as a result of Fulton Lewis' efforts.

4. In addition it would seem desirable that the Agency take the initiative in requesting an opportunity to brief the CIA Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee on Radio Free Europe and

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seeking their advice and guidance in dealing with possible further efforts by the Congress to look into Radio Free Europe.

5. This matter has been discussed with Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Houston, Colonel White, Mr. Wisner and [redacted] who concur in my recommendations in briefing the Vice President and the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee for CIA and seeking in each instance their advice and guidance. STAT

SIGNED

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The recommendations in paragraph 5 are approved, but I shall determine the timing of such action and may carry out some informal soundings before deciding upon the briefing of any of the Congressional Committees. (Per conversation Marie-OGC & EAG-Ex.Reg. 2/13/58.)

/s/ AWD

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